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TO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

INFO AMEMBASSY LILONGWE

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SY CHANNEL NAIROBI FOR RSO AND RSS, LILONGWE FOR ADM.OFF.

E.O. 11652: N/A

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SUBJECT:CHECK FRAUD - LILONGWE

REF: PREVIOUS REFTELS

FROM CHIEF, SY/SAS

1. AFTER LENGTHY DISCUSSION THE TREASURY DEPT. ADVISES
ORIGINAL CHECK CANNOT BE TURNED OVER TO ANY FOREIGN
GOVERNMENT OR BANKING AGENCY.

2. TREASURY ALSO ADVISES THAT SHOULD NECESSITY ARISE TO
PRESENT ORIGINAL IN COURT, ONLY TREASURY OFFICIAL OR
DESIGNEE CAN MAKE PRESENTATION. THIS WOULD INCLUDE
PRESENTING CHECK AS EVIDENCE IF LATENT PRINTS COULD BE
LIFTED - WHICH POSSIBILITY IS CONSIDERED REMOTE. TREASURY
HAS INDICATED THEY WILL NOT PROVIDE OFFICIAL OR DESIGNEE
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TO PRESENT EVIDENCE IN A MALAWI COURT.

3. SHOULD RSO WISH TO SUBMIT FINGERPRINTS FOR COMPARISON,
THEY CAN BE SENT TO A/SY/SAS AND WE WILL REQUEST TREASURY
COOPERATION IN HAVING FBI LAB ATTEMPT COMPARISON WITH
THOSE ON CHECK. HOWEVER AS NOTED PREVIOUSLY, OBTAINING

USEFUL LATENT PRINTS FROM THE CHECK FOR COMPARISON WOULD
APPEAR UNLIKELY. WOULD FBI LABORATORY REPORT BE USEFUL
IN PRESENTATION IN A MALAWI COURT SHOULD DEVELOPED LATENTS
RESULT IN A POSITIVE COMPARISON? PLEASE ADVISE. CHRISTOPHER

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